

The Way of a Disciple of Jesus (Mark 8:27-38)

Proposition: In order for anyone to walk in the way of the Master, the Lord Jesus has laid out three basic instructions in this passage for us to follow.

I. We must Encounter a Discovery of Jesus' Person (Vs. 27-30)

- A. The Regiment About His Person (Vs. 27-28)
- B. The Relevance of His Person (Vs. 29a)
- C. The Revelation if His Person (Vs. 29b; Matthew 16:17)

II. We must Experience the Domination of Jesus' Plan (Vs. 31-33)

- A. A Plan that Contradicts our Logic (Vs. 31)
- B. A Plan that Conflicts with our Longings (Vs. 32-33)

III. We must Embrace the Direction of Jesus' Path (Vs. 34-38)

- A. A Path of Denial (Vs. 34)
- B. A Path of Detachment (Vs. 35-37)
- C. A Path of Declaration (Vs. 38)

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One of my favorite Christian leaders is a man from New Zealand by the name of Ray Comfort. He has a passion for leading souls to Christ that is second to none. Ray pours his efforts into teaching and writing, and preaching the gospel to any one and everyone. He wrote a profound book called The Way of the Master. The Books aim and purpose is for the 21st Century church to once again its direction in mimicing our head the Lord Jesus Christ. Instead of asking What Would Jesus do? Lets ask What Did Jesus do? Let us lead people to Christ the very way Jesus did. In other words do things the way of the master. Well here in Mark 8 our master is very vividly and bluntly laying out his way of salvation and discipleship. In Order for anyone to walk in the way of the master, the Lord Jesus has laid out three basic instructions in his passage for us to follow. I want you to see I. We Must Encounter a Discovery of Jesus Person (Vs 27-30). It seems as though Jesus and his disciples have run up on some teaching time. Because Jesus has been frustrated

And now maybe their eyes are beginning to open

A. The Regiment about His Person - Vs 27-28

Caesarea Philippi is a place known for its many various gods of worship and without that as a backdrop, Jesus poses the Question!!! That is so much like the world today. Jesus surrounded by a regiment of other gods. Razi Zacharias wrote book Jesus among other Gods. Over 200 years since death Jesus and Newswelltime NBC

B. The Reliunctce of His Person - Vs 29a - They named of many of the more palatable views of Christ vs 28. But then Jesus cuts to the real heart of the matter who do you say that I am. When it comes to Christ and the eternity of your reverdying soul, it doesn't matter what the world thinks. What is his reliunctce to you.

C. The Revelation of His Person - Vs 29b-30 Peter had a very unpopular answer for then and for today. He is Messiah. It is hard to comprehend the actual salvation of Jesus disciple was it when they followed, or understood... I'm not sure. But there is something about this man

Peter eyes seeing, ears hearing, mind understanding. And it. Christ. Matthew 16:17. This is that revelation from God.

II. We Must Experience the Domination of Jesus Plan (Vs 31-33) - isn't that just like God, when we come to one point of understanding then he gives us another truth

- 1) ...Newsweek, Time, People, NBC, ABC, CBS, PBS, they are all still taking guesses at who is this man Jesus.

2) ...One preacher that I love to listen to had a message concerning the parson of Jesus entitled: Jesus – Liar, Lunatic, or Lord!

- 3) Matthew 16:16-17 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.

- 4) ...from God. Do you remember when you finally got it. That he is God and came to die for your sins. It wasn't because you ate a lot of broccoli and you had more brain cells. It was because of divine revelation! God showed it to you!

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Scripture from the English Standard Version

1) ...up is down. Mark 9:35 ...If any man desire to be first, the same shall be last of all, and servant of all. James 4:10 Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.

world has been corrupted until now. It is the world's mission to bewitch people and lead people out to meet with judgment with the flesh in the flesh and spirit death his kingdom and your eternal life.

2) ...get Jesus to by-pass the cross. Satan is the only one that will tell you that you can follow Jesus and it will not cost you anything. There is no crown without a cross. I'm not saying that you buy your way into salvation, but I am saying what Jesus is saying in the further verses of this chapter, you can not save your life as your own and have any claim in eternal salvation.

to wrestle with. First 8 chapter Jesus ^{Vs 29} ~~remaining~~

A. A Plan that Contradicts our Logic (Vs 3)

When Peter identified Jesus as the Christ in verse 24, a flood of old testament pass-ages came along with it. Most of which reflected a view of Messiah as the reigning King over a Kingdom. But what Jesus follows this revelation with was not tactics to take the throne but put plans for his own demise. Completely contrary to logic. And that is how God works. You want to be a disciple, throw all your preconceived notions of grandeur out the window. The way up is down.

B. A Plan that Conflicts w/ our Longings (Vs 33)

It is a great comfort to me to see how Peter can be so right one minute and so wrong the next, because I many times do the same thing. Peter rebukes the Lord. Word rebuke here is same word used to describe Jesus words to a demon. A strong forceful rebuke. Peter wasn't dominated by the saviors plan. He was dominated by a selfish plan. I am not a mind reader, but I believe Peter had his eye on some high Calumet positions in Kingdom. Jesus can

call him to Satan. Both tried to get Jesus to
III. We must Embrace the Direction of Jesus Path (Vs 34-38) After we discover who he is and come under the domin-ation of who he is, then we are to follo

the direction that he gives. In final verses a path

A. A Path of Denial (Vs 34) - The way
of following Jesus is the way of personal
denial. In Vs 32, Peter was not denying self.
This is our nations, city's, church's families
and individuals problem today we will not
deny ourselves. Because you are a disciple
of Jesus Christ, there ought to be some things
that you deny yourself. Things you just should not

B. A Path of Detachment (Vs 35-37) - You
can't have it your way. You can have
the pleasure of sin for a season and the
glories of heaven for eternity. What good
is it to be attached to this sinful world for
80 years and consume its fleeting pleasures then
suffer in torment and agony for an eternity. There
must be a detachment from this world, and how

C. A Path of Declaration (Vs 38) - In this
final verse the disciples are commanded
not to be ashamed of their Master. A
disciple is to stand for his master in the
face of adversity. We are to make a
clear declaration by our lives. Christ
suffered ~~most~~ fundamental humiliation on the cross
for my sake. Should I not have his name on

IV. Closing - The Way of the Master
is three fold - A discover of Jesus Person
a Dominance by Jesus Plan, & Directing into
Jesus Path.

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1) ...just should not say, wear, do, look at, participate in, eat, enjoy,
listen to...

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2) ...an I have decided to follow Jesus moment. 2 Corinthians 6:17
Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate,
saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing;

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3) ...his name on my lips at every opportunity!